

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Title: METHOD FOR JOINING ROD AND COLLAR AND JOINING DIE SET THEREFOR

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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- Descriptive title of the Invention
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- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to Sequence Listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix.
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets: 11]5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages : 3]

- a.1. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- a.2. ☒ Unexecuted
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
 (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. ☐ Application Data Sheet (see 37 CFR 1.76)7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or computer program (Appendix)8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
  - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
  - ii. ☐ Paper
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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- 9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- 10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
  - ☐ Power of Attorney
- 11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
- 12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
  - ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- 13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- 14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
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- 16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i).  
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- 17. ☒ Other COVER LETTER FOR APPLICATION FILED WITHOUT EXECUTED DECLARATION

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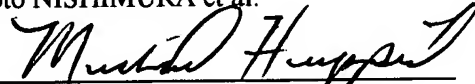
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